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In re Application of: Seishi Kato, *et al.*

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ENCODING THESE PROTEINS*

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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE

Dear Sir:

This is a response to the Office Action (Paper No. 12) dated September 27, 2001. A Request for Two-Month Extension of Time with the requisite fee based on large entity status is being filed concurrently herewith. Responsive to the Office Action, please amend the above-identified application as follows.

In the claims:

Please cancel claims 11-14, amend claims 7-9, and add new claims 15-17 as follows:

7. (Amended) An isolated polypeptide consisting of a fragment of a polypeptide comprising the amino acid sequence of SEQ ID NO:2, wherein the fragment comprises at least 30 contiguous amino acids of SEQ ID NO:2.

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